HELIOS:FEMINA

A Crown of Thorns

This...

...is all yours?

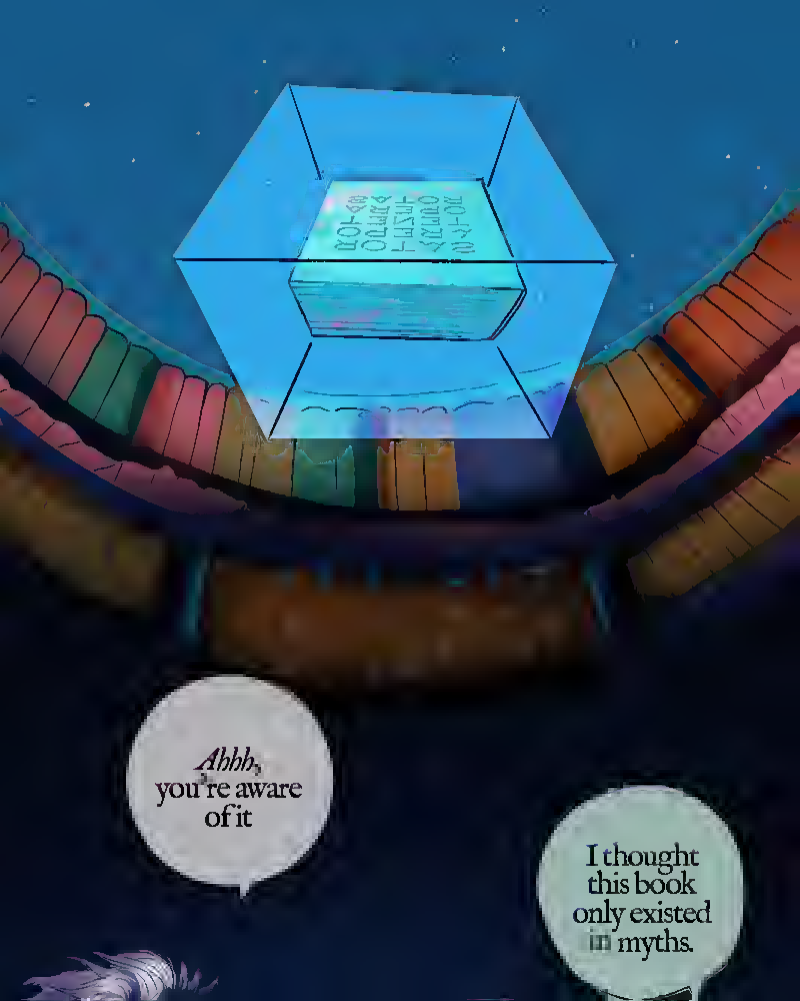
Naturally.

Haha, you're so cute.

Like a kid in a candy shop.

Is that?

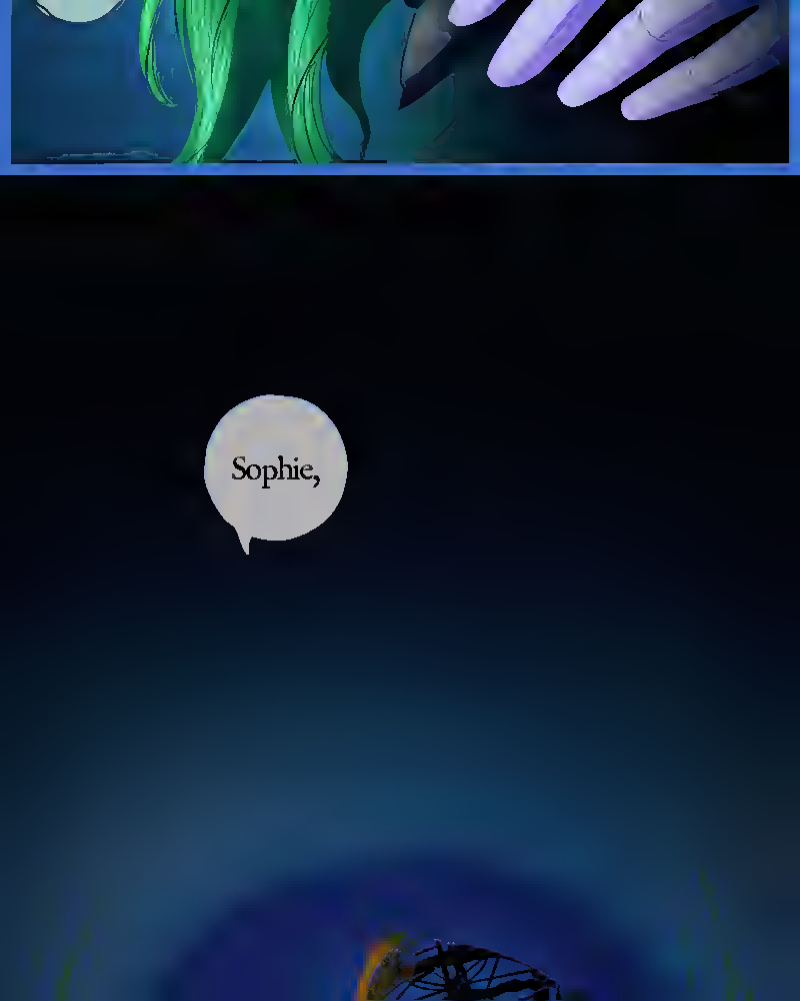
The Crystal Grimoire of Sator?


Ahhh, you're aware of it
I thought this book only existed in myths.

I never thought I'd see one with my very own eyes.

How did you find this?
It was a birthday gift,
...from a close relative of mine who likes to go treasure hunting
SATOR AREPO

TENET
OPERA
ROTAS.
The creator above govern the wheels of creation.
Wow.


Sophie,

...would you care to read it?

I should give this telepathy thing a try.

Mom, can you hear me?
Please,
...be okay.
I love you.
...

Rhea?
Rhea is that you?
Mom?
Rhea, I hear you, but I don't see you.

MOM!
I'm speaking to you, telepathically!
Telepathy?
WHERE ARE YOU?!

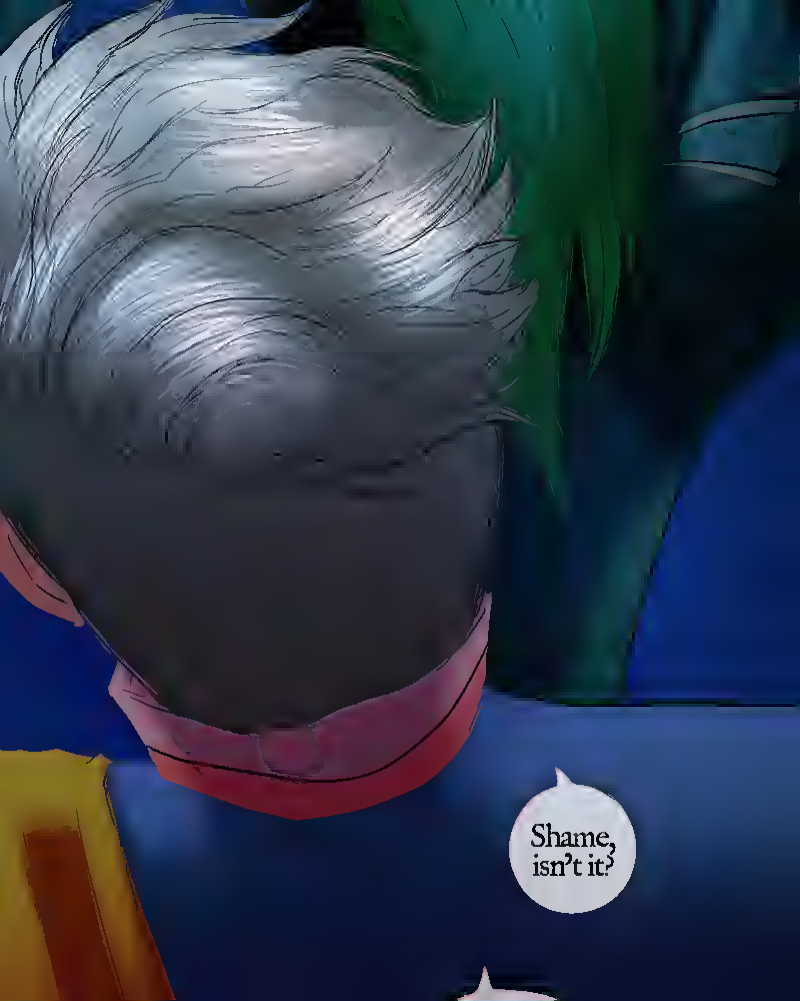
I snuck into Ash's palace
Rhea, you must leave. NOW!
Raven Core is here.
If they know you're here,
...they'll take you!
Leave me.

I love you!

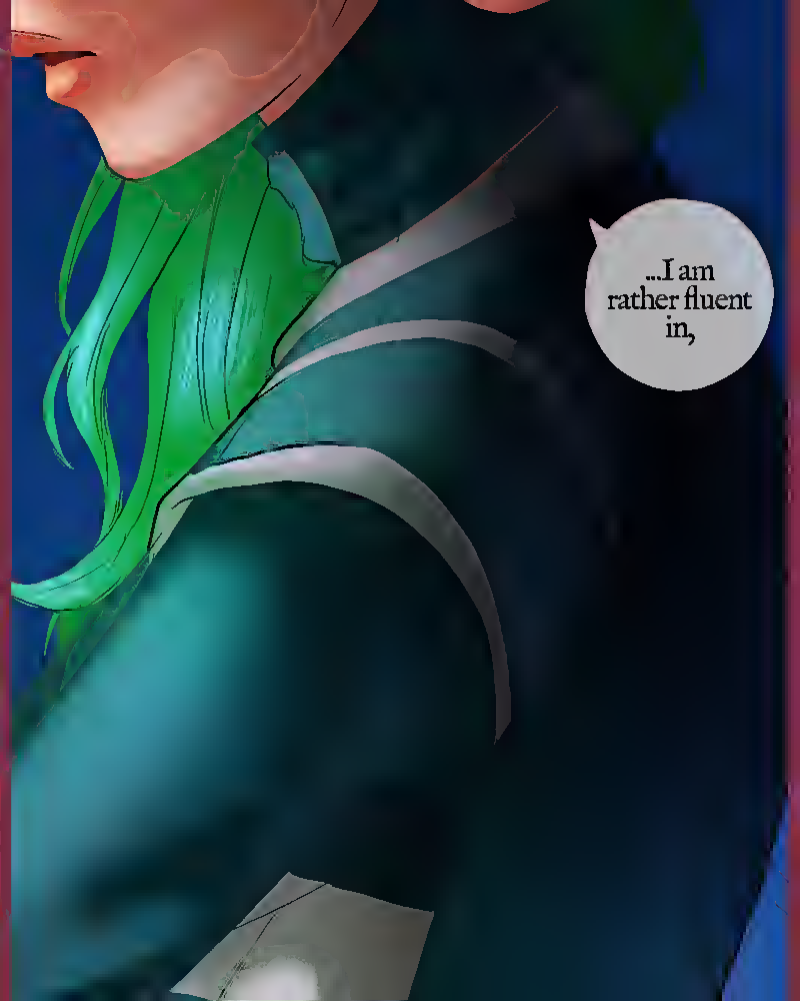
Mom, I'm coming to find you.
Where are you going?

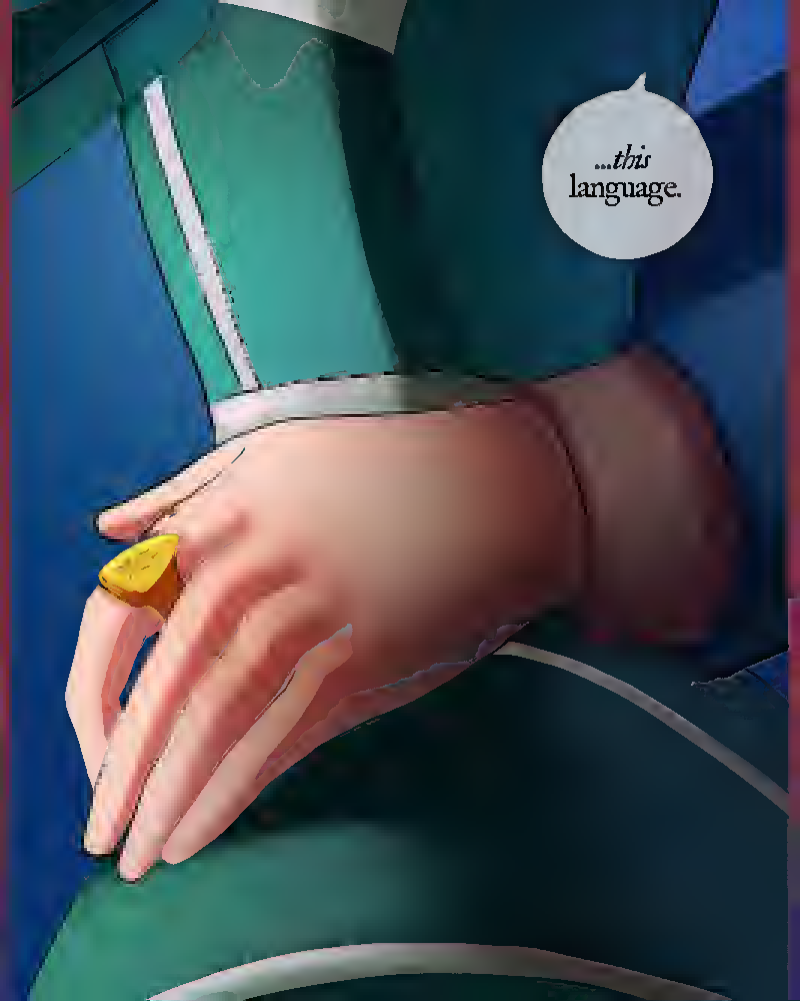
To find my Mother.

No one has been able to decipher this yet?


Shame, isn't it?

A wondrous book, written in a language only few can read.
Although I'm unfamiliar with *this* particular dialect,

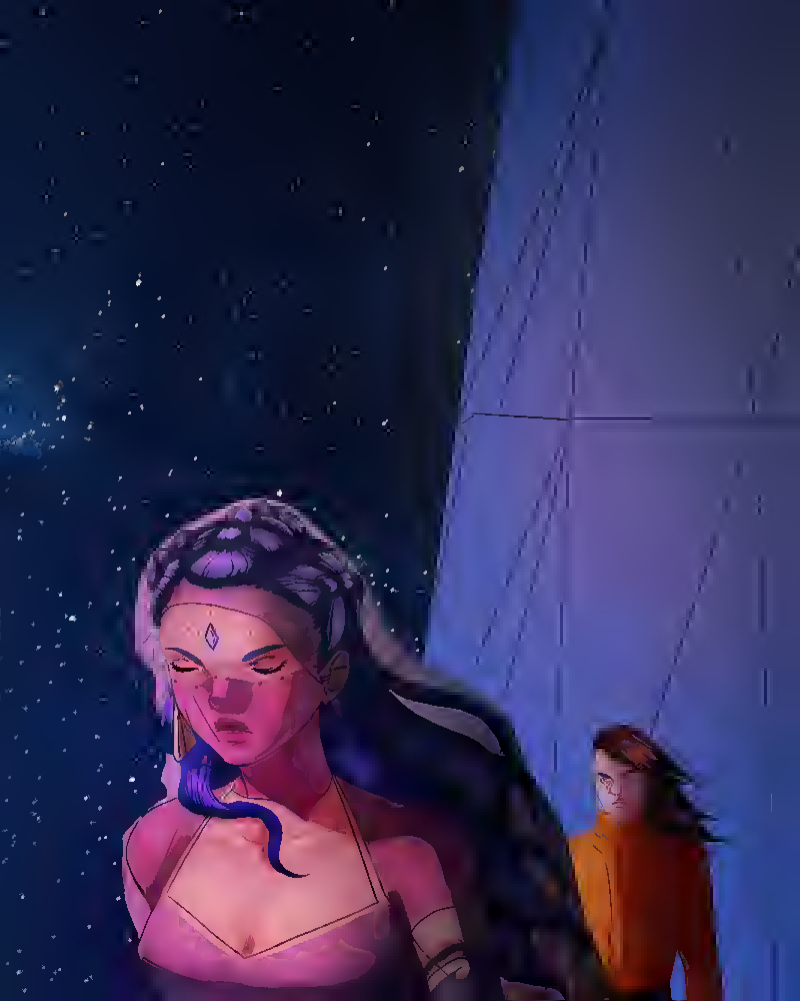

...I am rather fluent in,


...*this* language.

Down boy.
Do you wish me to stop?

My wish,
your grace,

...is to
make you
my last.



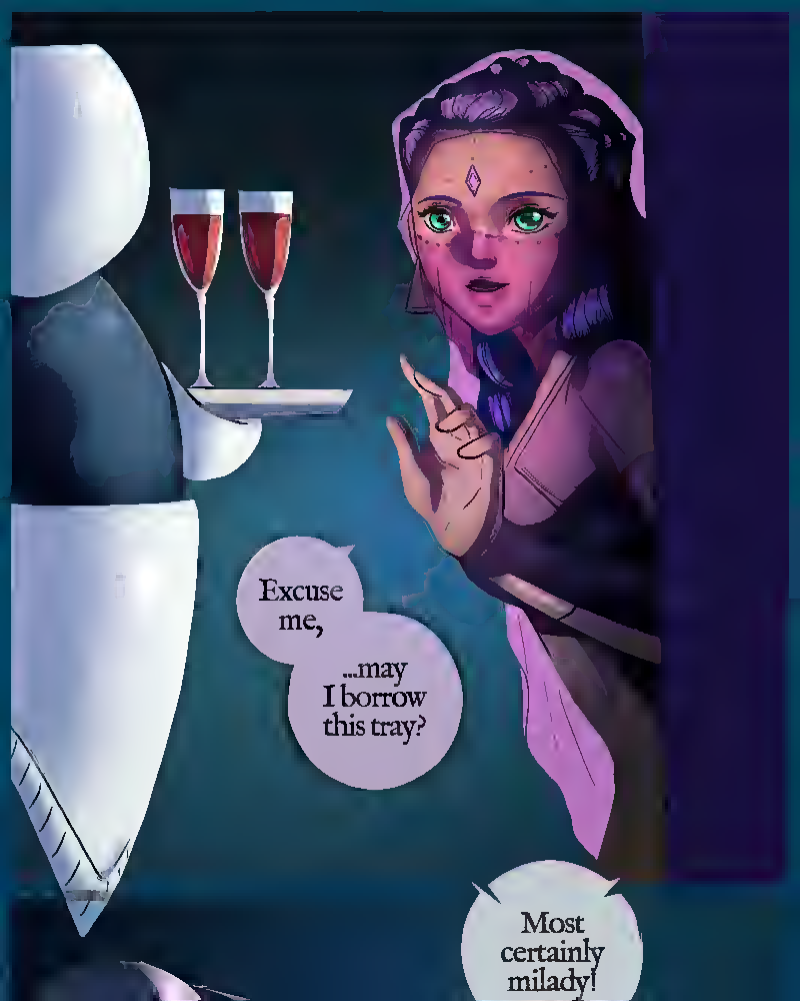
Mom? Can you hear me?
I can sense you close by.

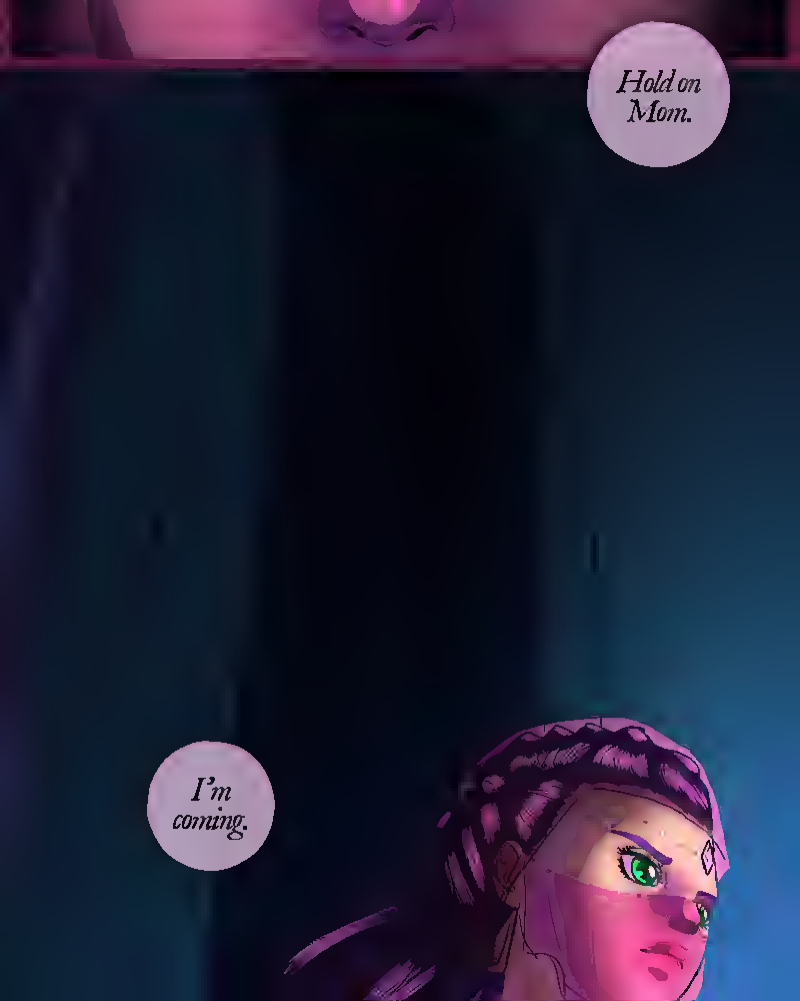
YES! Your voice sounds clearer.
Do you know where you are?

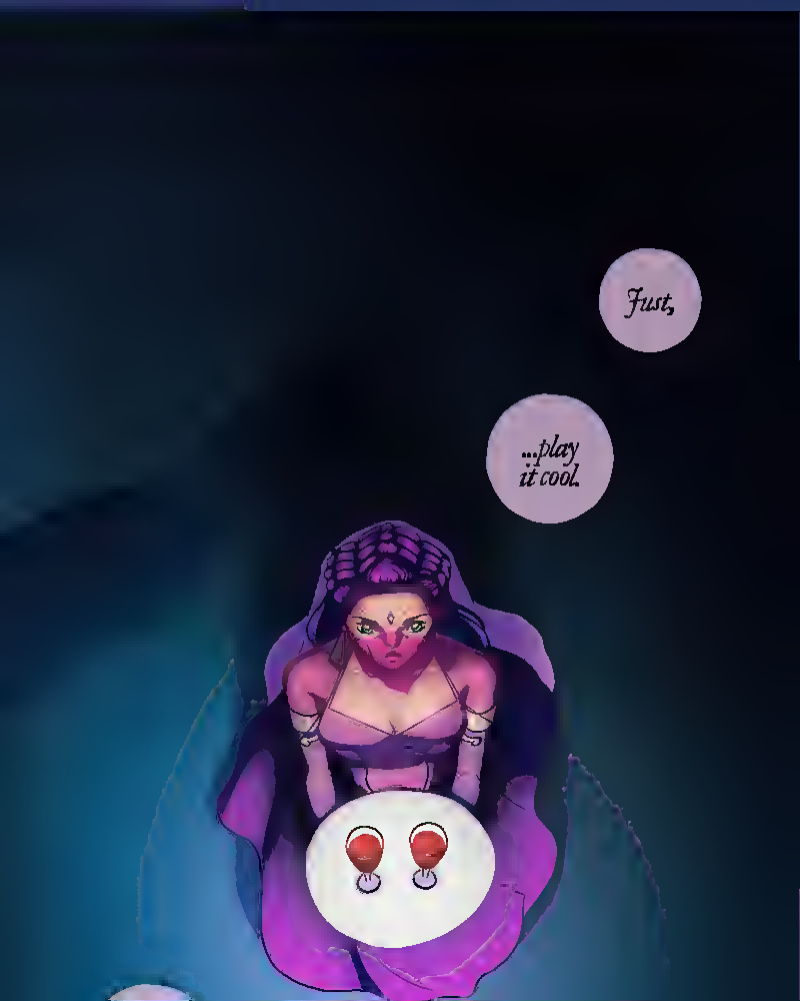
I'm in a room, down a checkerboard hallway.
Is the door unlocked?
Yes, but be careful!
Raven Core Knights are cloaking outside.

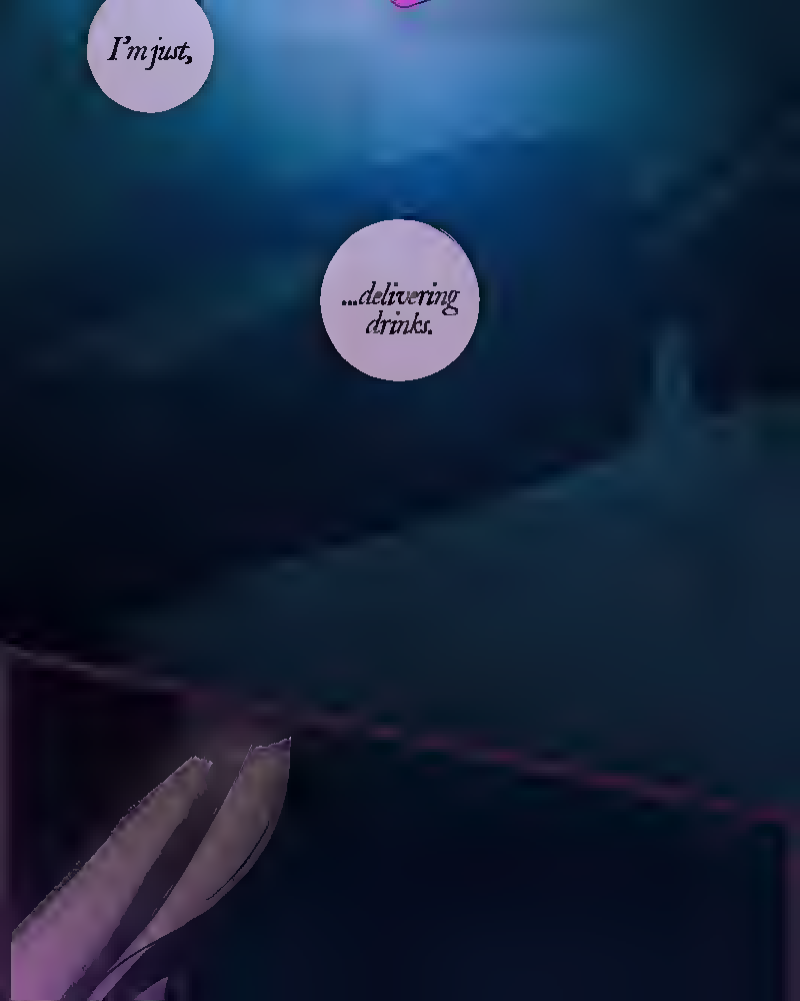
I can
see them.

Their shadows are on the floor.


Excuse me,
...may I borrow this tray?
Most certainly milady!


Hold on Mom.
I'm coming.

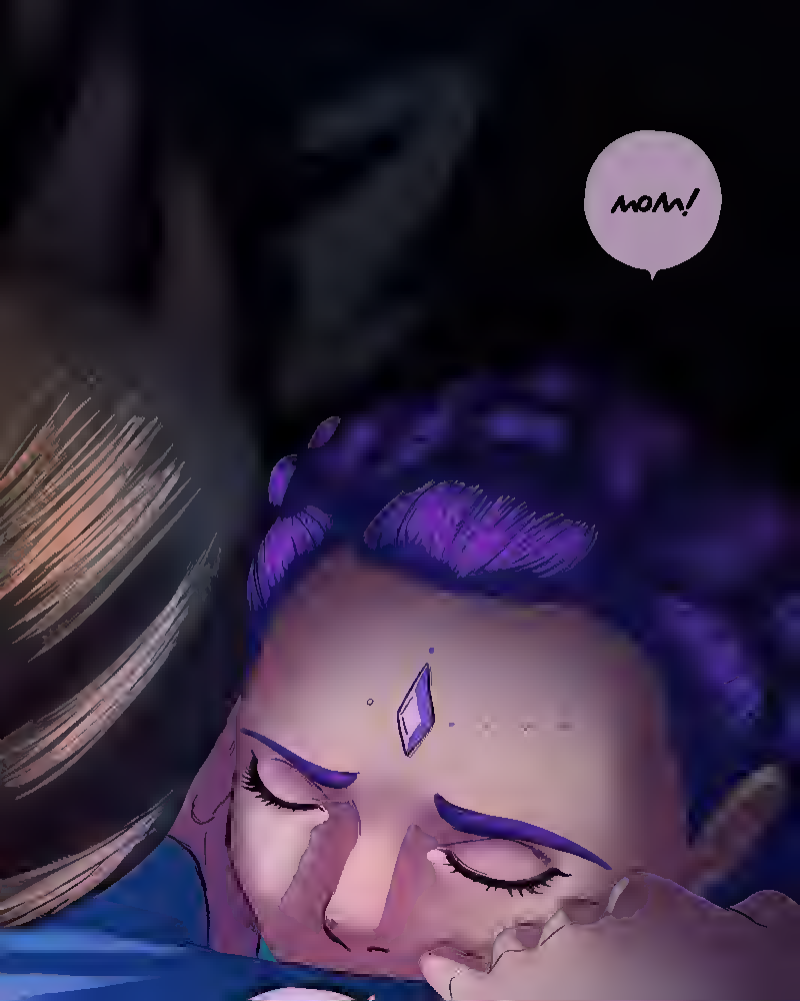

Just,
...play it cool.


I'm just,
...delivering drinks.

My lady,
I have evening refreshments.

May I please enter?

MY BABY!

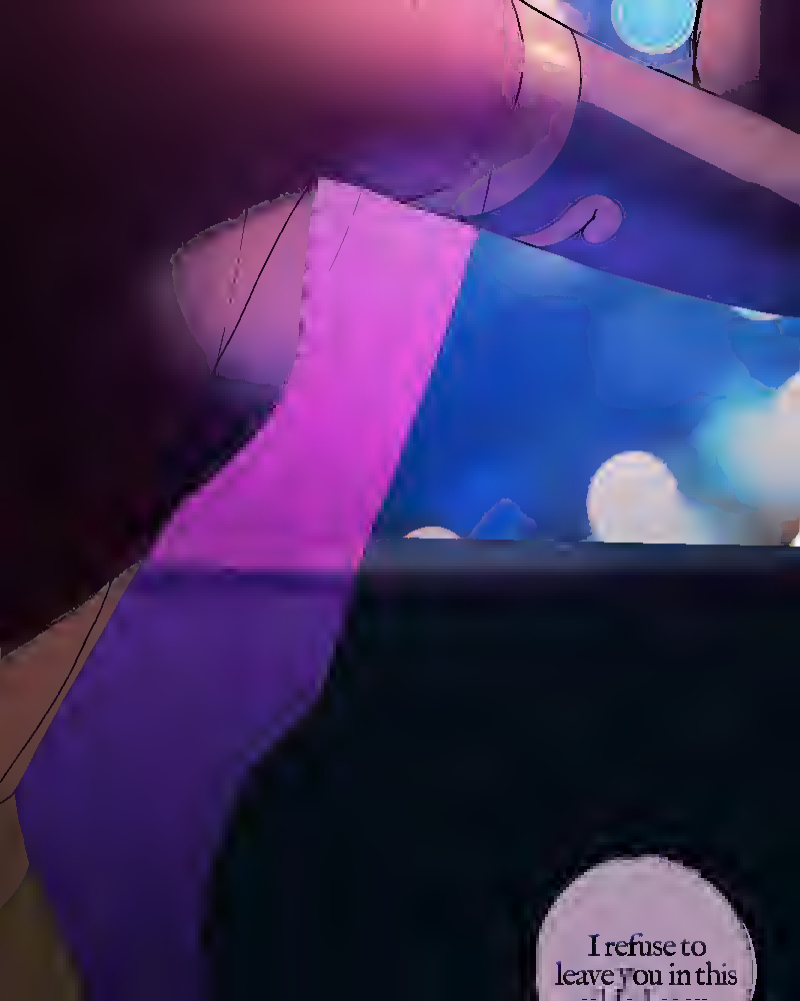

MOM!

Thank God, you're not hurt.
You can't stay!
Leave while you can.
Don't worry about me,
...I'll

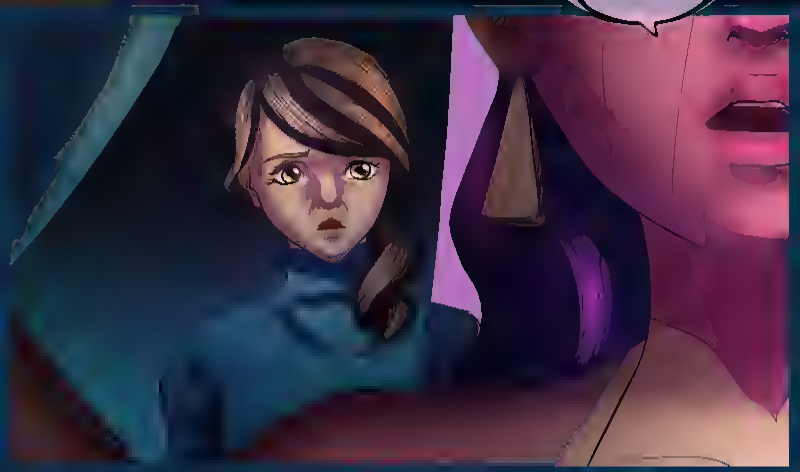
figure a way out.
I'm not leaving you here with Ash!
He won't hurt me.
Prisoners of war are treated ethically here.

I'll be fine.
Well Mom, the situation has changed.
It's a really long story.
...and I don't have a lot of time to explain it.

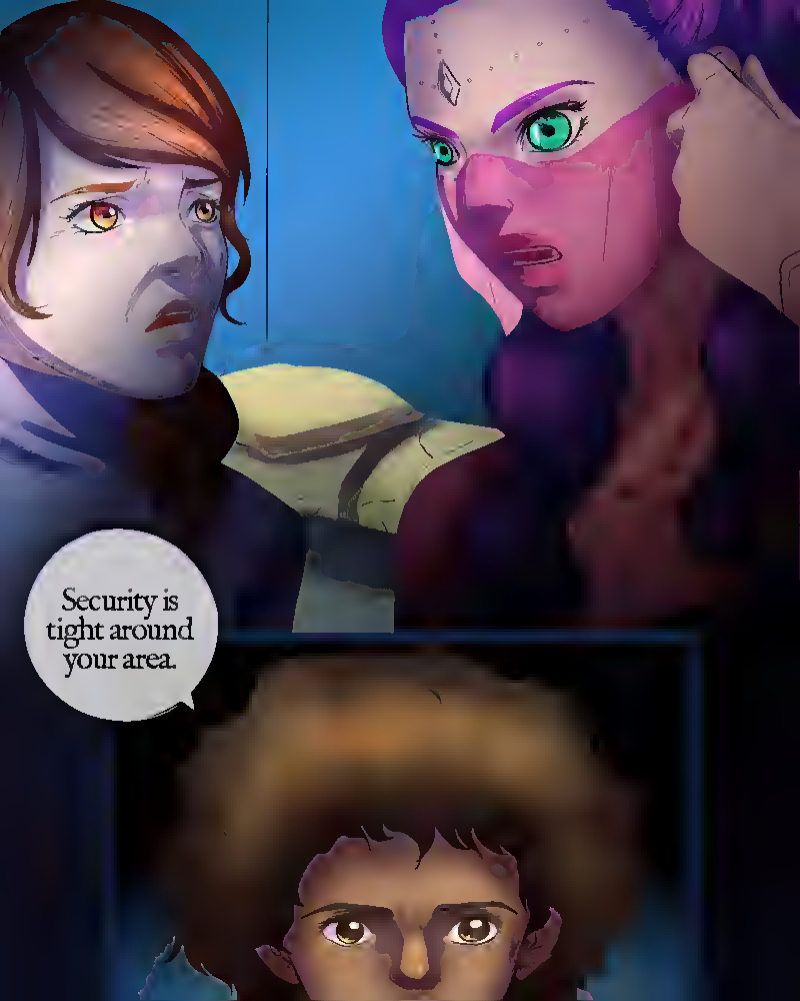
Besides,


I refuse to
leave you in this

gilded cage.

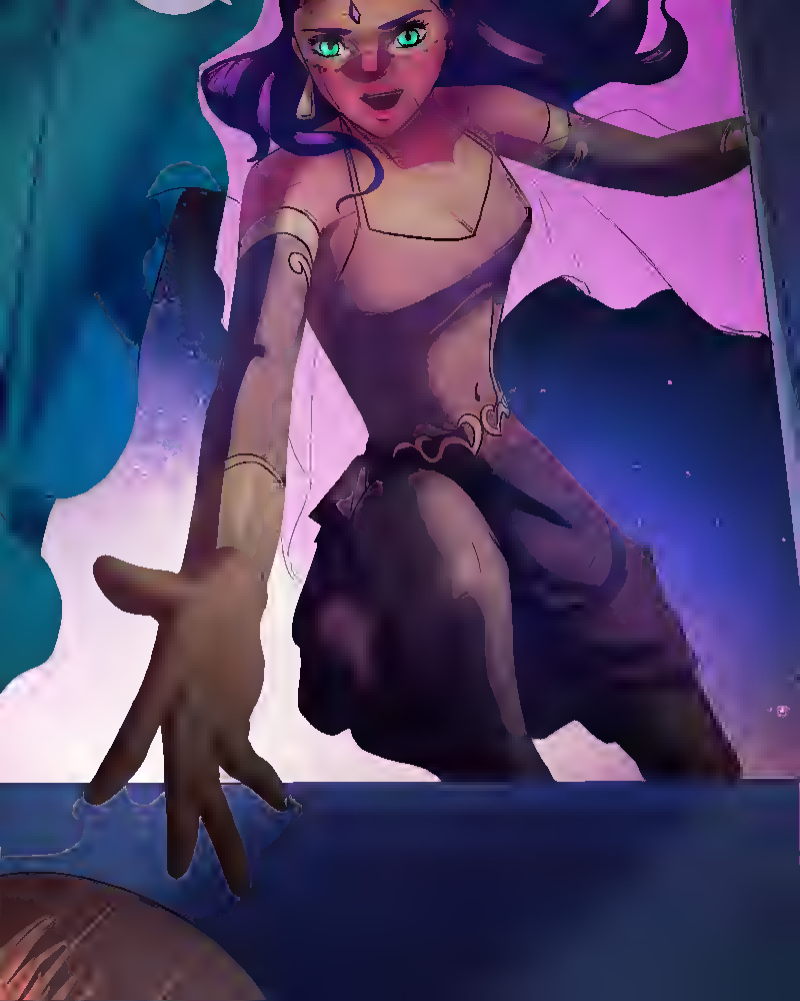


Flo, could Icarus map out an escape route from here?

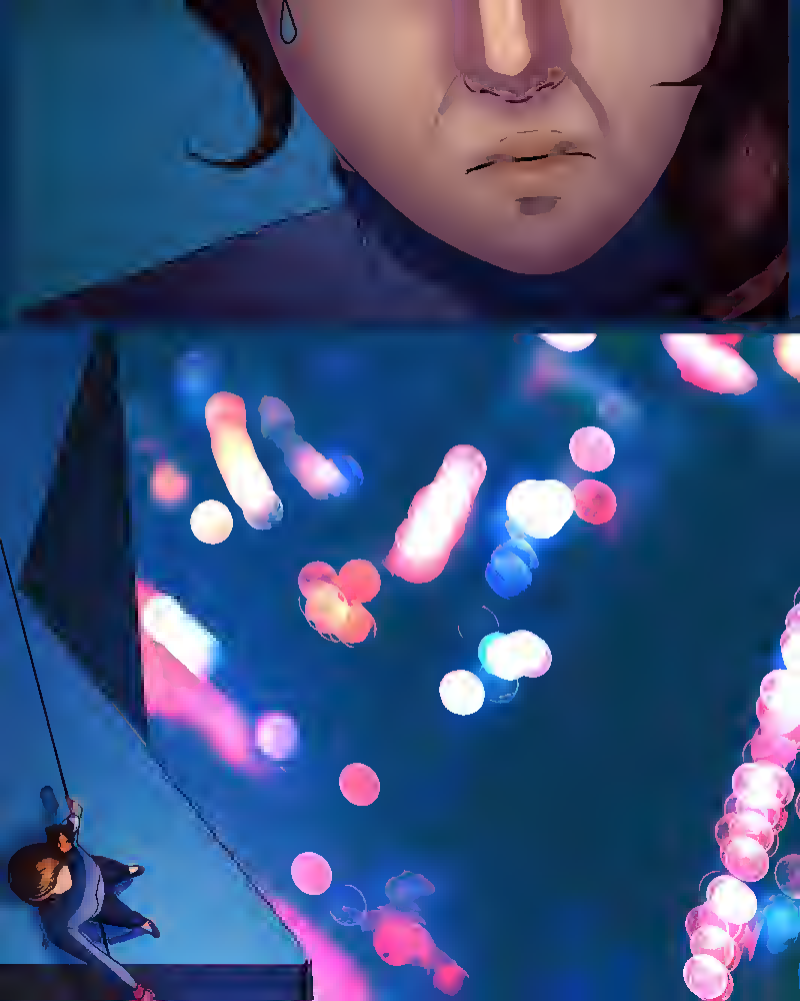

Security is tight around your area.

Your only exit, is to climb out the window to cross the bridge.
Alright then.

Lead the way.
Mom.

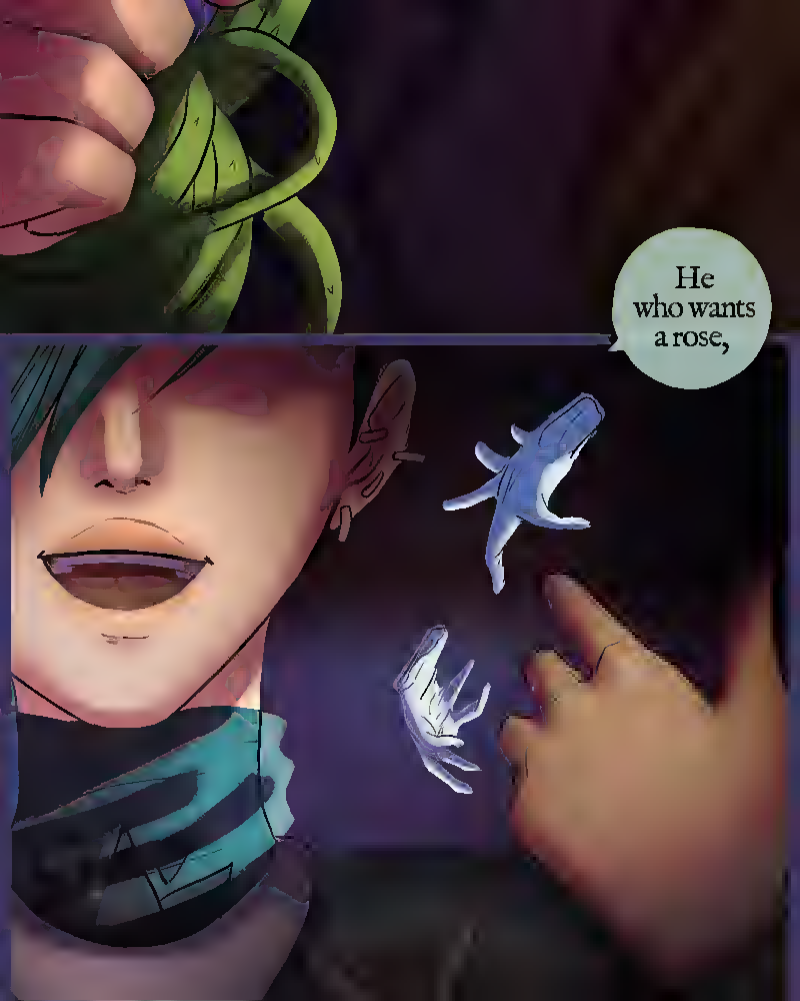


We can do this!



WHAT?!

Your highness, did you not know?


He who wants a rose,

...must
respect the
thorn.

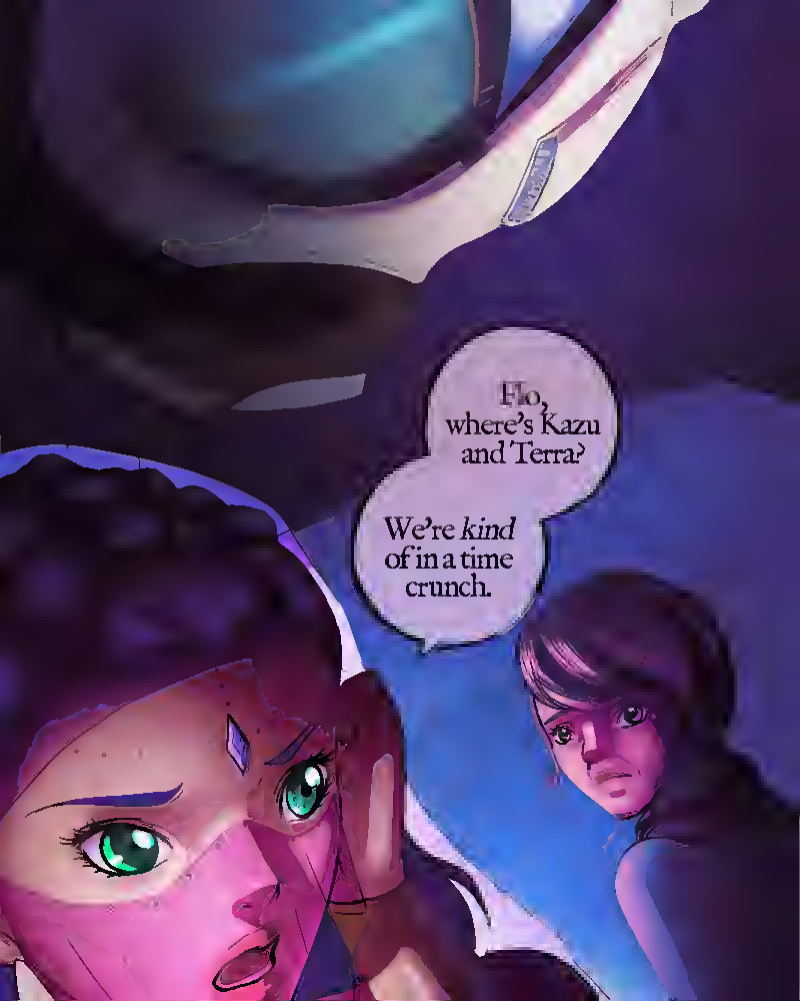
Arrrrgh!!

YOU BITCH!!!

A female dog?
hah You flatter me monsieur!

Ava, let's go home!
Alright, Terra!
Go down the hall, make a left!

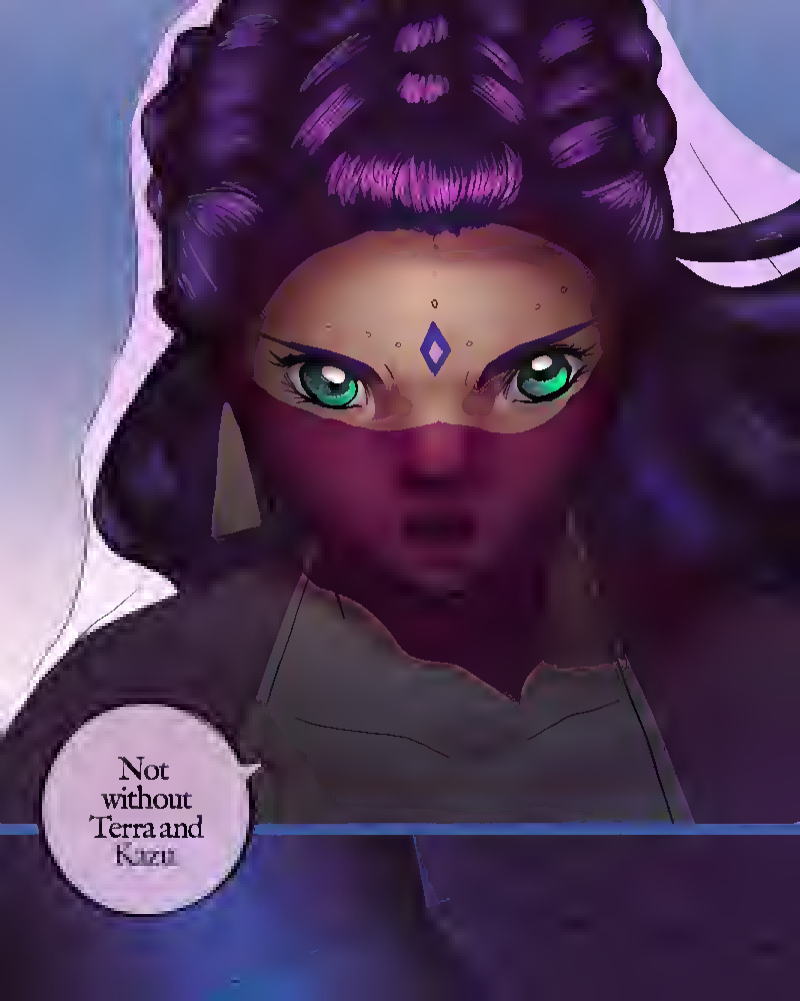
MIRA!!!!!!

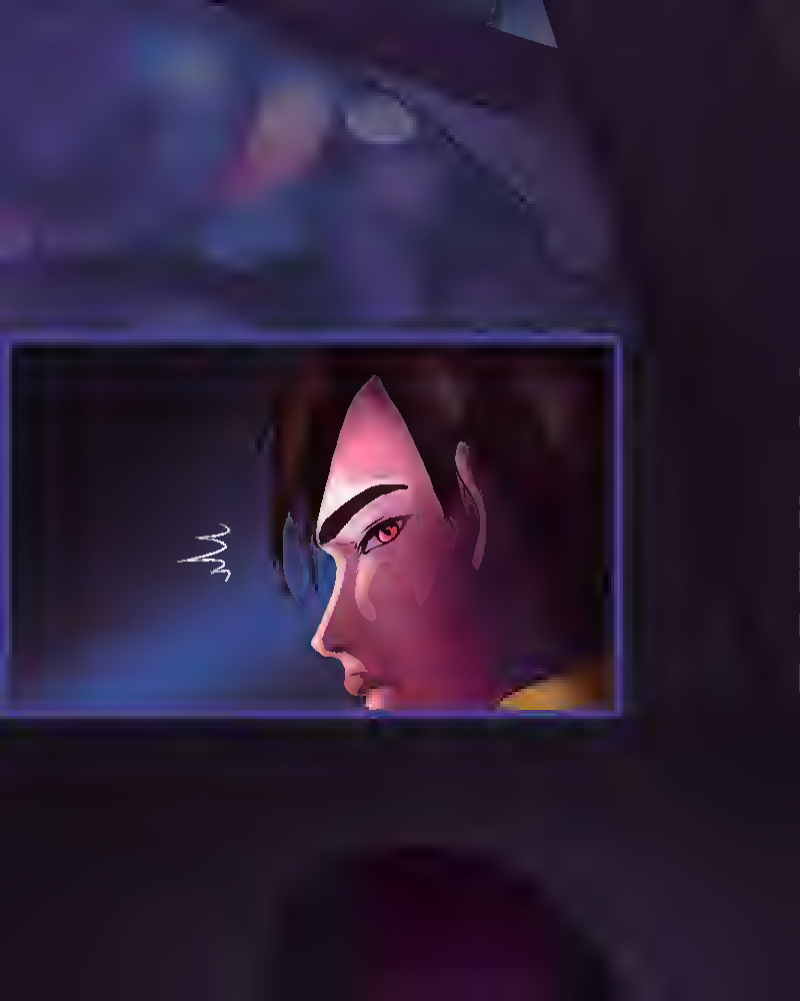

Flo, where's Kazu and Terra?
We're *kind* of in a time crunch.

Um... Rhea, there's been a situation...

Mom stay inside
Icarus, wait here, if someone

comes, leave!
Keep her safe!
That's an order.
Rhea come back!


Not without Terra and Kuzu

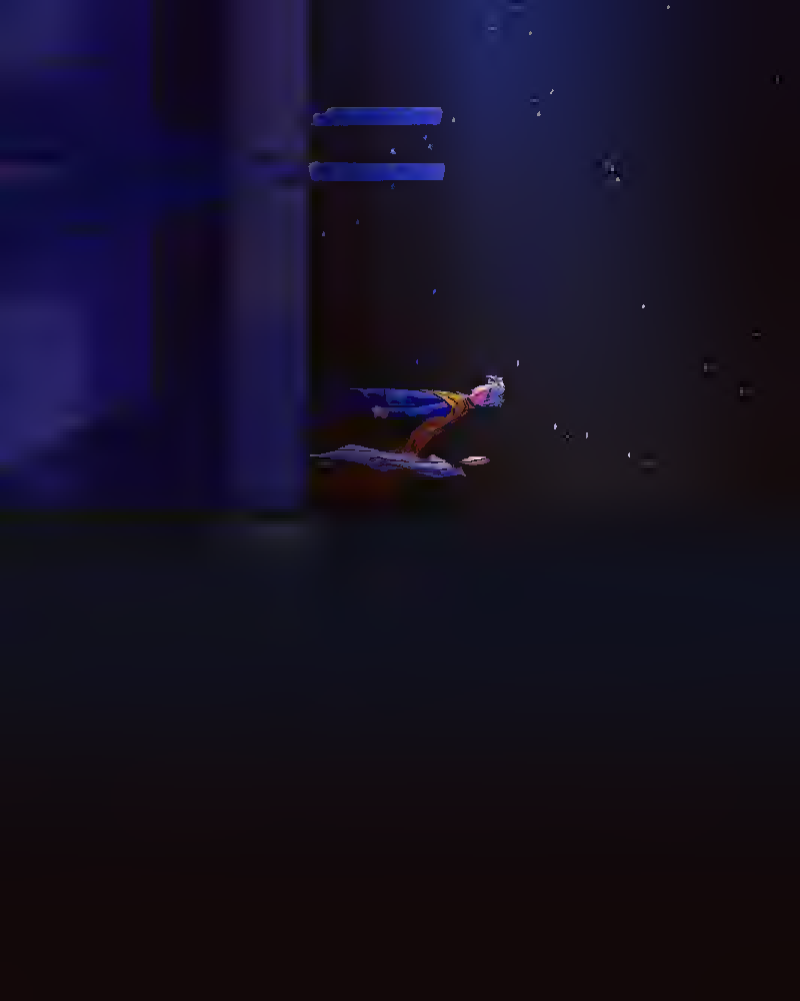


What happened?!
HUFF HUFF

Can I tell you later?
A little busy running for my life right now.

THIS WAY!
RHEA!

We're almost there.



WHERE'S BEBO?!

BANG BANG

BANG
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